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# Darwin City Council

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## WIFI in The Mall

Darwin City Council is considering options for the installation and provision of public wireless internet access (Wi-Fi) for The Mall.

As part of The Mall revitalisation project, Council is looking at the economic growth and social and cultural development of Darwin City. The provision of WIFI services is another way to promote the idea of Darwin as modern, progressive and in tune with the younger mainstream culture.

Darryl Winder of InContext Solutions Pty Ltd, was engaged to assist Council in establishing an expression of interest for the project. The Expression of Interest (EOI) provides a context to the key objectives and requirements for the project.

The details of the expression of interest are given in a report before Council tonight. This report is available as part of the meeting papers online.

[http://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/aboutcouncil/council\\_overview/documents/Cou1st11agn.pdf](http://www.darwin.nt.gov.au/aboutcouncil/council_overview/documents/Cou1st11agn.pdf)

Darwin Lord Mayor, Graeme Sawyer is excited about the project. "Personally, I have been calling for such a service for some time now" he said. "Other aldermen on council support the idea, finally we are nearing the introduction of the WIFI service in The Mall".

Some details of the service need to be finalised. However, the objectives of the WIFI Service in The Mall are:

- Provide free public Internet access within the Mall.
- Expected users to be predominantly business or holiday travellers.
- The usage of the Internet Service to be "Fair Use"
- The solution to include ongoing maintenance and service costs.